## VISA FEES

Exchange of notes at Washington November 20 and December 10, 1946

Entered into force January 1, 1947

Replaced October 1, 1947, by agreement of August 19 and September 4, 5, and 16, 1947 1

61 Stat. 2795; Treaties and Other International Acts Series 1608

The Secretary of State to the French Ambassador

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of the French Republic and has the honor to refer to a conversation between Mr. Strauss and a member of the Department regarding the conclusion of an agreement between the Government of the French Republic and the United States Government relating to visa fees for non-immigrants who are nationals of either country, to take the place of the present agreement.<sup>2</sup>

It is understood that effective January 1, 1947, the French authorities will collect the following fees for the visa of a valid American passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering France or any of its possessions: (1) transit visa valid for a stay not exceeding fifteen days, 325 francs; (2) visa valid for a stay for a period of sixteen days to one year, 400 francs; and (3) visa valid for a stay exceeding one year, 1200 francs.

The United States authorities will, on a corresponding basis, collect the following fees for the visa of a valid French passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering the United States or any of its possessions: (1) transit visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, not to exceed sixty days, \$2.75; and (2) a nonimmigrant passport visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, subject to extension by such authorities without charge, \$3.50.

It will be appreciated if the Department may be informed whether the French Government is agreeable to the adoption of the foregoing schedule

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> TIAS 1721, post p. 1210.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Exchange of notes at Paris Jan. 12 and 14, 1938 (EAS 125, ante, p. 1026).

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of visa fees for nonimmigrants who are bearers of French passports or American passports, in order that appropriate instructions may be sent to American diplomatic and consular officers.

Department of State,
Washington, November 20, 1946

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## The French Embassy to the Department of State [Translation]

December 10, 1946

The French Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to advise that its government has accepted the proposition contained in the note of the Department of State under date of November 20, regarding an agreement between American and French Governments relative to the fee of passports visas.

It is understood that effective January 1, 1947 the French authorities will collect the following fees for the visa of a valid American passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering France or any of its possessions:

- (1) transit visa valid for a stay not exceeding fifteen days, 325 francs;
- (2) visa valid for a stay for a period of sixteen days to one year, 400 francs;
  - (3) visa valid for a stay exceeding one year, 1200 francs.

The United States authorities will, on a corresponding basis, collect the following fees for the visa of a valid French passport covering the persons included therein who are members of the immediate family, entering the United States or any of its possessions:

- (1) transit visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, not to exceed sixty days, \$2.75;
- (2) a non immigrant passport visa valid for one or more entries during a period of one year from the date of issuance for such period as the immigration authorities may prescribe, subject to extension by such authorities without charge, \$3.50;
  - (3) visa valid for more than one year (immigrant visa), \$10.00./.

The French Embassy seizes this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

Department of State, Washington, D.C.